3.0 Definitions. [Reserved]

4.0 Interferences

4.1 Carbon dioxide (CO_2) and organics potentially can interfere with the analysis. Most of the CO_2 is removed from the sample by the alkaline permanganate conditioning system; any residual CO_2 and organics are separated from the CO by GC.

5.0 Safety

5.1 Disclaimer. This method may involve hazardous materials, operations, and equipment. This test method may not address all of the safety problems associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this test method to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to performing this test method. The analyzer users manual should be consulted for specific precautions concerning the analytical procedure.

6.0 Equipment and Supplies

6.1 Sample Collection. Same as in Method 10A, Section 6.1.

6.2 Sample Analysis. A GC/FID analyzer, capable of quantifying CO in the sample and consisting of at least the following major components, is required for sample analysis. [Alternatively, complete Method 25 analytical systems (Method 25, Section 6.3) are acceptable alternatives when calibrated for CO and operated in accordance with the Method 25 analytical procedures (Method 25, Section 11.0).]

6.2.1 Separation Column. A column capable of separating CO from CO_2 and organic compounds that may be present. A 3.2-mm (⅛-in.) OD stainless steel column packed with 1.7 m (5.5 ft.) of 60/80 mesh Carbosieve S–II (available from Supelco) has been used successfully for this purpose.

6.2.2 Reduction Catalyst. Same as in Method 25, Section 6.3.1.2.

6.2.3 Sample Injection System. Same as in Method 25, Section 6.3.1.4, equipped to accept a sample line from the Tedlar bag.

6.2.4 Flame Ionization Detector. Meeting the linearity specifications of Section 10.3 and having a minimal instrument range of 10 to 1,000 ppm CO.

6.2.5 Data Recording System. Analog strip chart recorder or digital integration system, compatible with the FID, for permanently recording the analytical results.

7.0 Reagents and Standards

7.1 Sample Collection. Same as in Method 10A, Section 7.1.

7.2 Sample Analysis.

7.2.1 Carrier, Fuel, and Combustion Gases. Same as in Method 25, Sections 7.2.1, 7.2.2, and 7.2.3, respectively.

7.2.2 Calibration Gases. Three standard gases with nominal CO concentrations of 20, 200, and 1,000 ppm CO in nitrogen. The calibration gases shall be certified by the manufacturer to be ± 2 percent of the specified concentrations.

7.2.3 Reduction Catalyst Efficiency Check Calibration Gas. Standard CH_4 gas with a nominal concentration of 1,000 ppm in air.

8.0 Sample Collection, Preservation, Storage, and Transport

Same as in Method 10A, Section 8.0.

9.0 Quality Control

Section	Quality control measure	Effect
8.0	Sample bag/sampling system leak-checks	Ensures that negative bias introduced through leakage is minimized.
10.1	Carrier gas blank check	Ensures that positive bias introduced by contamination of carrier gas is less than 5 ppmv.
10.2	Reduction catalyst efficiency check	Ensures that negative bias introduced by inefficient reduction catalyst is less than 5 percent.
10.3	Analyzer calibration	Ensures linearity of analyzer response to standards.
11.2	Triplicate sample analyses	Ensures precision of analytical results.

10.0 Calibration and Standardization

10.1 Carrier Gas Blank Check. Analyze each new tank of carrier gas with the GC analyzer according to Section 11.2 to check for contamination. The corresponding concentration must be less than 5 ppm for the tank to be acceptable for use.

10.2 Reduction Catalyst Efficiency Check. Prior to initial use, the reduction catalyst shall be tested for reduction efficiency. With the heated reduction catalyst bypassed, make triplicate injections of the 1,000 ppm CH_4 gas (Section 7.2.3) to calibrate the ana-

lyzer. Repeat the procedure using 1,000 ppm CO gas (Section 7.2.2) with the catalyst in operation. The reduction catalyst operation is acceptable if the CO response is within 5 percent of the certified gas value.

10.3 Analyzer Calibration. Perform this test before the system is first placed into operation. With the reduction catalyst in operation, conduct a linearity check of the analyzer using the standards specified in Section 7.2.2. Make triplicate injections of each calibration gas, and then calculate the average response factor (area/ppm) for each gas, as